

1 A MEMORIAL

2 PROCLAIMING TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2008, AS "DRUG COURT DAY" AT
3 THE SENATE.

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5 WHEREAS, drug courts provide the focus and leadership
6 for community-wide, anti-drug systems, bringing together
7 criminal justice, treatment, education and other community
8 partners in the fight against drug abuse and criminality; and

9 WHEREAS, drug court programs are the original form of
10 drug policy reform and combine intensive judicial
11 supervision, mandatory substance abuse treatment and drug
12 testing and escalating sanctions and incentives in order to
13 break the cycle of drug addiction and its concomitant crimes;
14 and

15 WHEREAS, judges, prosecutors, defense attorneys,
16 treatment and rehabilitation professionals, law enforcement
17 and corrections personnel, researchers and educators,
18 national and community leaders and others dedicated to the
19 drug court movement have had a profound impact on their
20 communities through their hard work and commitment; and

21 WHEREAS, the drug court movement has grown in New Mexico
22 from one drug court in 1994 to some thirty-four drug courts
23 in operation or in the planning stages;

24 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE
25 STATE OF NEW MEXICO that Tuesday, February 5, 2008, be

1 proclaimed "Drug Court Day" at the senate to honor the
2 practitioners and participants who make drug courts work and
3 the significant contributions that drug courts have made and
4 continue to make in reducing drug use and crime; and

5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this memorial be
6 transmitted to the administrative office of the courts. _____

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